
Other Books You Might Like. Privacy Policy Terms of Use. TM ® & © 2020 Scholastic Inc. All Rights Reserved. Susan Cheyney. GRADES: 1-2. About Us. Lots and Lots of Zebra Stripes, by Stephen R. Swinburne. $0.00. Not available for purchase. With simple text and vivid, full-color photographs, Stephen R. Swinburne shows children a wide range of nature’s exquisite designs. He invites children to open their eyes and look for patterns in water and on land, in the air and on the ground, and in their own neighborhoods. They will see the world as they’ve never seen it before. Sku #: 87. Rudyard Kipling playfully wrote that zebras stripes were due to “the slippery-slidy shadows of the trees” falling on its body but are scientists getting closer to the truth? How and why zebras evolved to sport black and white stripes are questions that have tested scientists for over a century. Scientists have put forward at least 18 reasons why, from camouflage or warning colours, to more creative explanations like unique markers that help to identify individuals like a human fingerprint. But, for a long time new theories were introduced without rigorous tests. Black with white stripes? Zebras, together with horses and asses, are members of the Equus genus. And lions appear to have no trouble eating lots of zebras. Zebras tend to run from threats rather than try to hide (Credit: Alamy).